

CITY OF SANTA CLARA
YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES
October 9, 2012

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 6:00pm at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue, Santa Clara, California.

Present: Commissioners: Samia Abbasi, Sufyan Abbasi, Ajaipal Chahal, Devleena Das, Jeff Hara, Vyvy Nguyen, Kristin Oswald, Sheryl Ratnam, Andrew Rauschhuber, Deepika Suresh, Hannah Villalpando, Michelle Vo, Shana Vu, and Ashley Wong

Absent: Rafal Saeed - Excused

Guests: Matthew Araujo, City of Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Intern
Ayumi Gothberg, Member at large

Staff Present: Jennifer Herb – Recreation Supervisor
Nan Choi – Teen Librarian

Matters for City Council Action – None

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Hannah Villalpando at 6:15 p.m.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS –
 - A. Matthew Araujo, City of Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Intern
 - B. Ayumi Gothberg, Member at large
- III. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 21 AND SEPTEMBER 11 MINUTES –
 - A. August 21: Deepika Suresh made a motion to amend the minutes with the following changes: IV. Correspondence/Communications – B6. Los Altos is misspelled. AJ Chahal seconded the motion. Jeff Hara made a motion to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Sheryl Ratnam.
 - B. September 11: Devleena Das made a motion to amend the minutes with the following changes: IV. Approval of May 8 Minutes - spelling correction of Ashley Wong's first name. V. Correspondence/Communications – A. 3. The information was incomplete and should read, "The US Army in Germany, contacted the Library regarding their Mine Craft Tournament. VIII. New Business – the word Business is misspelled. Andrew Rauschhuber seconded the motion. AJ Chahal made a motion to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Samia Abbasi.
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS–
 - A. Library
 - 1. October 14-20, Teen Read Week
 - 2. October 15 – Hunger Games Trivia Contest, followed by the feature film and pizza.

3. October 20 – Writing contest deadline; Local Author, Fantasy and Sci-Fi Book Talk
 4. October 23 – Nan to have book talk at Cabrillo Middle School
 5. November 10 – Practice SAT
- B. Santa Clara High School
1. October 9 – AVID Trip to UC Santa Cruz
 2. October 10 – Service Club Volunteering at 2nd Harvest Food Bank
 3. October 12 – Football vs. Milpitas, and Academic Night
 4. October 19 – Student vs. Staff in a Trivia Contest
 5. October 20 – PSAT
 6. October 26 – Football Vs. Wilcox
 7. October 31 – Halloween Costume Contest
 8. November 2-16, Canned Food Drive
- C. Wilcox High School
1. October 10 – Homecoming Rally and Skit Night
 2. October 11 – Homecoming Float Building
 3. October 12 – Homecoming Parade and Game
 4. October 19 & 26 – Food Faire
 5. October 30 – Beginning of the George Mayne Toy Drive
 6. November 5 – RA Meeting
- D. Archbishop Mitty
1. October 11 – Sports Rally
 2. October 12 – Fall Musical, “How to Succeed in Business With Out Really Trying”
 3. October 17 – Freshman Day of Service, Sophomore/Junior PSAT
 4. October 22 – Concert
 5. October 23 – Freshman Parent Drug & Alcohol Discussion Night
 6. October 24 – Powder-Puff game
 7. October 26 – Homecoming Rally
 8. October 27 – Homecoming Game
 9. November 8 – Club Meetings
 10. November 1-2, Sophomore Retreat
- E. St. Francis
1. October 11 – Fall Band & Choir Concert
 2. October 17 – PSAT
 3. October 21 – Open House
 4. October 23-26, Homecoming Week
 5. October 25 – Night of Academics
 6. October 27 – Homecoming Dance
 7. November 5 – Thanksgiving Food Drive
- F. Bellarmine
1. October 19 – Varsity Football vs. St. Francis
 2. October 21 – Freshman Retreat
 3. October 25 – Fall Drama “Nicholas Nickelby”
 4. October 28 – Open House
 5. November 9 – Fashion Show

V. SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – none

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. City of Santa Clara Art and Wine Festival, September 14 – 16
 - 1. Loading/unloading – September 14 & 16: The Jon Kawada worked with the Youth Commission to assist vendors load and unload their supplies for a fee of \$8.00/load. At the end of the Festival, a total of \$779.00 was raised, which will go towards the Community Service Scholarship fund, sponsored by the Youth Commission. This money will be awarded to deserving juniors and graduating seniors in May.
 - 2. Hot Dog booth – September 15 & 16: The Youth Commission operated a food booth in Kids Kingdom, selling hot dogs and bratwursts, juice boxes, and chips. After expenses, the Youth Commission raised \$1,880.00, which will go towards the Community Service Scholarship fund, sponsored by the Youth Commission. This money will be awarded to deserving juniors and graduating seniors in May.
- B. Finalize 2012-2013 goals - The Youth Commission revisited their brainstorming from the August 21 meeting. After careful consideration, the Youth Commission chose the following projects for the 2012-2013 term:
 - 1. Santa Clara's Got Talent - The Youth Commission will host the 4th annual Santa Clara's Got Talent as a way to showcase the talent in our community.
 - 2. A.E.D. (automated external defibrillator) Project – The Youth Commission would like to continue working on their video that they filmed last year. Next steps involve editing and a final approval. The purpose of the video is to create a P.S.A. as well as a teaching tool to be used in the schools or by the Fire Department. The hope is that it will help to increase awareness about A.E.D.
 - 3. Save the Music – The Youth Commission would like to help students that are involved in the Arts, within the Santa Clara Unified District, offset the costs associated with their class/activity.
 - 4. Movie in the Park – The Youth Commission is interested in hosting a family movie night in the spring, as a way to encourage families to do something together.
 - 5. Fun Run/Walk – The Youth Commission would like to organize an event utilizing the San Tomas Creek Trail, as a way to encourage people to be active and enjoy the outdoors.
- C. Develop calendar of events - Based on the current commitments of the Youth Commission, the group has begun to develop a calendar that include the dates and/or timeline for their projects. Youth Commissioners bought their school calendars to the September committee meetings so they could begin to add their activities to the 2012-2013 calendar.
- D. Form committees – There were five committee meetings held on Tuesday, September 25. Each committee meeting last approximately 30 minutes.
- E. Brainstorm team building ideas and dates - Jennifer asked that Commissioners look at their calendars and let her know what dates they had free. She asked that everyone email her with the dates as well as suggestions for teambuilding.
- F. Halloween Party – Wednesday, October 31, 3:00pm – 6:00pm: Jennifer asked the Youth Commission to mark their calendar for the Halloween Party. Commissioners

will be selling concessions from the Teen Center Café. Jennifer will have a shift sign-up sheet at the October 9th meeting.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Santa Clara's Got Talent – The committee began discussing the logistics of the event. Auditions have been scheduled for December, 4 -6. Tuesday and Wednesday's audition will be scheduled, and Thursday's auditions will be open call. The committee decided that they'd like to do more advertising at the Senior Center and Elementary Schools this year. The date for the event is scheduled for Saturday, January 26. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 24 at 6:00pm.
- B. Sporting Day – The committee met and brainstormed possible events that they'd like to host. Two ideas that were discussed were: a Dodge Ball Tournament and a 5k Fun Run/Walk. Jennifer Herb informed the committee that the Teen Center would be hosting "The Buck," Middle School Dodge Ball Tournament in March, and suggested that they team up with the Teen Center to help with the event. The committee liked that idea and decided to focus their efforts on a 5k Fun Run/Walk. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 24 at 5:30pm.
- C. Save the Music Project – The committee met to brainstorm ideas to help increase the awareness of the importance benefits of music
- D. AED Awareness – This committee is continuing where the 2011-2012 term left off. Members of the committee would like to finalize editing and submit it for approval. The goal is to create two videos; a shorter version, used as a P.S.A (Public Service Announcement), and a longer version, used for educational purposes. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00pm.
- E. Movie Night – The committee met and began brainstorming ideas for a movie night. The committee would like to have the event on a Friday evening, starting around 8:00pm. The hope is to hold the movie at a park, so the community can come out and enjoy. Committee members like the idea of a free event, but charging a nominal fee for concessions. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30pm.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Youth Commission Team Building – Jennifer Herb recommended some possible dates for team building. The Youth Commission decided on Sunday, November 4. Jennifer Herb and Jon Kawada will work to plan the outing.
- B. Teen Center closed on October 5th due to City Furlough – Jennifer Herb reminded the Commission that the Teen Center was closed due to City Furlough.
- C. Teen Center closed on October 8th for City holiday – Jennifer Herb reminded the Commission that the Teen Center was closed due to City Holiday
- D. "A Fall Affair", Semi-Formal Dance at the Teen Center, Saturday Oct. 27th 8:00pm-11:30pm – Jennifer Herb talked to the Commission about the event and encouraged them to attend.
- E. YAC Halloween Party Wednesday Oct. 31st, 3:00pm-6:00pm – Jennifer Herb passed out the shift sign-up sheet for the event. The Youth Commission will be selling concessions from the Teen Center Café. Proceeds will go towards the Community Service Scholarship Fund.
- F. YAC Social, Friday November 16 – Jennifer Herb explained to the Commission that there will be a social with all Youth Commissions/Council from District 4 in

Burlingame. The evening will consist of dinner, Commission Panel with question/answer time, breakout session to talk to other Commissioners and find out what they're doing in their city, followed by dessert and time for networking and games.

IX. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None

- X. ADJOURN – A motion was made by Vyvy Nguyen to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. Andrew Rauschhuber seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting, Tuesday, November 13, at the Teen Center.

Minutes Prepared by: _____
Jennifer Herb
Youth Commission Staff Liaison
Recreation Supervisor